vorable on the mountain to-day than it has been for some time. But the crisis

has not yet passed. Ever new columns of reserves are arriving behind the Teuton front, and There is no doubt that the Austro-German high command is determined to renew the attempt to break through and front correspondents warn against overoptimism.

GERMANS NOW RUSHING RESERVES TO WEST FRONT

[By Associated Press.] PETROGRAD, Monday, December 24. -Ensign Krylenko, commander-inchief of the army, reported to the Bolshevik headquarters on Sunday that the Germans were transferring troops Russian front.

til Monday afternoon.

nany to issue passports to the German going on in France, Socialists Haase, Ledebour and Kautsky, who desire to go to Stockholm to

impression at l'etrograd that it was fested with enemy submarines. instead.

probably will be transformed at an early date into a general democratic peace to all the European peoples, IMPRESSED BY STRENGTH preparation of military equipment is a waste of national labor and funds, and which the country needs.

in the commission meeting at Odessa marked on every line of his face, to discuss technical questions

ALL ELECTIVE OFFICIALS

of Deputies to-day adopted a resolu- more than thirty years ago.

AGREEMENTS ARE REACHED

PARIS, December 25,-An official ability more than eighteen months will be STAFF IS CHOSEN repatriated. Officers in the same catezory will be interned in Switzerland.

ANNISTON. ALA. December 25.—
Five per cent of the men in training at Camp McClellan were allowed to go home for Christmas, and for their less fortunate comrades the day was marked by suspension of training and christmas celebration in which all soldiers were remembered, local churches joining in with the Y. M. C. A. and other organizations.

The reports show similar mild conditions in the Carso and the Julian ranges, to the east, through which the together under the quartermaster-general, are to run in double harness under the driving direction of the communications with the invaded regions of east-soldiers were remembered, local itiated by Sir Douglas Haig, and is working with admirable results on the British front.

TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM

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to remain under quarantine on account of measies, but there were indications. Transportation is for the moment the proving an important factor in the that the quarantine would soon he problem of the day with the Americampaign for, while severe cold and

HUNDREDS OF GUETS

Guard division at Camp Wheeler, hun-communications in France and adds to dreds of gifts were distributed among the magnitude of the transportation

on the invaders. BEFORE NEXT SUMMER

the artitlery duels continue at top heat. Transport and Organization Now Great Problems for Americans in France.

RAPID PROGRESS IS MADE

Building of Mighty Army Along ident Wilson has summoned the chiefs Military Undertaking.

BY COLONEL A. M. MURRAY, C. B.

the allies, and also to the southwestern opportunity of seeing the headquerters and outlying camps of the American the war crisis. Leon Trotzky, the Bolshevik Foreign army now being concentrated in Minister, has called the attention of France. While it is undesirable to dethe peace delegation to this fact. A scribe the building up of this great dent recently, the chiefs soon after special dispatch from Brest-Litovsk anyesterday to reply to the Russian peace or even to mention the localities chosen roads for increased wages, and the the recent engagement at Cambrai terms, and consequently the meeting of for G. H. Q. and the troops, there are legislative agents several days ago, the peace delegates was postponed un- certain things which can be asefully said in order to keep the public in-It is reported that the refusal of Ger- formed in a general way of what is

acqueint themselves with the Russian history for such a gigantic military revelutionary conditions, has produced effort as America is now putting forth prise. in Russia an impression which may for the cause of civilization and free- studying all phases of the railroad dom. Think what it means to trans- that be intended to address Congress Minister Trotzky has sent a telegram port an army numbering, not thou- on the subject after the holidays. to his delegates at Brest Litovsk in sands, but hundreds of thousands, nay, While sentiment in favor of governthis connection declaring that if the even millions of men, with their at- ment operations of the roads appar-Germans refused their Socialists pass- tendant guns, horses, transport and im- ently has been growing, no intimaports, this would create such a bad pedimenta, over 2,000 miles of sea in- tion of what the President would rec-

deemed necessary that the German offi- We sent 250,000 men to South Africa cial delegation which is expected here during the Boar War, but we had the on Thursday, should go to Stockholm sen all to ourselves, and our communi- WEATHER CONDITIONS cations were secure. The case is dif-The Bolshevik commissioners have ferent with America, and no one reciesued a manifesto to all Russian work. Ognizes this more than General Pershingmen declaring that, as the armistice ing and the officers whom he has collected around him to form his general staff.

that, consequently the output must be officers during the two days he slept heavy fighting has been going on in ments of officers are but a single grade. production of peace supplies. readquarters and among the American recent days, is having the unusual ex- A few especially capable second lieu-

delegation from the enemy powers sary to say much, as we are all more no snow. One of the generals on the is coming to Petrograd to participate or less familiar with his personality. in a conference presided over by Trotz- It was impossible to talk with him ky, to discuss the political aspects of without being impressed by the was worth divisions in obstructing AMERICAN OFFICERS HURT an eventual peace conference. An- strength of his character and the force the enemy. other enemy delegation will participate of his mind. Power of command is

PARIS, December 25.-The Chamber he left West Point Academy, now

tive officials in France until the end ant in the cavalry, he fought against supplies and troops." of the war. No elections will be held the Apaches in New Mexico and took part in the Sloux campaign in Dakota,

FOR ORGANIZING POWER Appreciable improvements are also obtained through the agreement for the
mighty movements, the American
men still in captivity as regards letcommander-in-chief has chosen his
ters, parcels, regulation of work and
business capacity. They are a remark.

Ortler, there is about three feet of lations also forbid correspondence besnow, as compared with nine feet last
tween soldiers and strangers.

Recently an advertisement was reters, parcels, regulation of work and
business capacity. They are a remark. The negotiations for the repatria, able body of men, with long heads tion or internment of men of forty years and quick brains, admittedly inexperience, and having three or more children have failed, says the note, "not been called on to direct, but men with withstanding the generous efforts of the Swiss government."

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fors and everybody down the line to the humblest doughboy obeyed his orders and worked like beavers to proders and worked like beavers to provide a merry Christmas for the little ones whose fathers will never come home for them again to play Santa Claus.

At all the camps there were big christmas dinners, French, British and American officers drank toasts to the success of the cause of elemogracy.

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ANNISTON, ALA, December 25.— tion has been formed into department footbills there is no show, and transportaperature is always above freezing.

The reports show similar mild of

their concentration rendezvous. DISTRIBUTED TO MEN Owing to the ports on the north tions to proceed, MACON, GA. December 25.—Although coast of France being appropriated for rain here to-day prevented the carry. Eritish army bases, the American army ing out of a full program of Christ. bases are necessarily all located to the western coast. This prevents conges-tion at the French barbors, but it mas entertainment for neldlers at-tached to the Thirty-first National Guard division at Camp Wheeler, hun-

THREE SOLDIERS' DEATHS

REPORTED AT CAMP WHEELER

MACON, GA. December 25 Three
more deaths from pneumonia among soldiers at Camp Wheeler were an rationed and rational solutions and rational solutions. This different light on conditions so far work is now practically complete.

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President to See Heads of Unions

Calls Chiefs of Railroad Brotherhoods to White House on Thursday.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, December 25.—Pres-British Lines Now Under Way, and legislative agents of the four rail-General Pershing at Head of Vast road brotherhoods to a conference at

the White House on Thursday. it is expected that the President LONDON, December 25 .- During his will outline to the representatives of the railroad workers whatever action as possible to the western front against writer of this article was given the he has decided is necessary to ob-

Both the chiefs and the legislative when they asked for assurances that war demands should not relax the safety restrictions imposed on railroad operation. They were told that nothing of that kind was contemplated.

The new conference came as a surquestion, and it has been understood ommend has been given out

Winter in Alps Is Very Mild, and Light Snows Fail to Check Invaders.

ITALIAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS OF PERSHING'S CHARACTER IN NORTHERN ITALY, December 25, which an opportunity is lacking in the would not hold. The writer saw a good deal of these .- The entire mountain region, where training camps in the United States. perience of a holiday season, with tenants have been advanced to the lowing. The newspapers announce that a Of General Pershing it is unneces- green slopes and summits and little or front said that every foot of snow

"This is one of the mildest winters, Not by royal favor or by aristocratic charge of the weather branch of the geants of the American forces were wire in the tunnel. influence is he where he is, but by high command, "and from a military badly hurt to-night in an automobile HOLD OFFICE DURING WAR virtue of his own efforts, which he has standpoint the weather conditions are accident. A high-powered military will continue, never relaxed for a single hour since of the highest importance, both for round and plunged over an embank meet tion extending the terms of all elec- Starting in 1886 as a second lieuten- effect on the enemy's transportation of

the Ortier Alps.

This being a business war, a war of which are the next highest to the have never met.

CHILDREN MADE HAPPY see them at work in their quiet, unWITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN
FRANCE, December 25—The American
Army in France celebrated its first
thousands of little French children
happy. A twenty-one-year-old Santa
Claus took "command" of the American
Can Army yesterday and retained it

Was a pleasure to talk with them and
AND WEATHER IS MILD

The entire a until to-night Generals, colonels, madown to their work with a grim de-jors and everybody down the line to termination, which is tempered by a now has only from ten to twelve inches

ISTON MEN

The American division, the army unit.

ARE WELL REMEMBERED is now being remodeled on the basis of the British division, and transports.

Of the British division, and transports.

GRAVEST FOR AMERICANS These unusual weather conditions are can general staff, and will remain so heavy snows would hold the enemy in till the American troops have reached their grip, the present mild and almost knowless season permits opera-

CAMPS UNDER BETTER LIGHT

Baker Expected to Show Conditions at Cantonments Are, Not as Bad as Reported.

Due to the rain, the principal enter- A large part of American staff energy timony of Secretary Eaker and court WASHINGTON, December 25 .- Testainment planned for the fate afternoon, the singing of Christmas durots
around a Christmas tree out of doors,
was abandoned. Many of the soldiers
were entertained at dinner in Macon were entertained at dinner in Macon to the concentration rendezvous. This different light on conditions so far work is now practically complete.

nounced to-night at divisional head- big one, and requires tactfu, handling position of the department in the public mind.

PERSHING RECOMMENDS PROMOTION OF PRIVATES

More Than a Hundred Members of Expeditionary Forces Mentioned for Advancement.

BIG OPPORTUNITY FOR MEN

Officials Say Inclusion of Names Is score others, many of whom are ex-Commissions - Demonstration of Ability in Field Will Tell.

FRANCE, Monday, December 21 .-Among the more than 100 members of the American expeditionary force for whom an especially merry Christmas was provided by their recommendation to Washington to-day for promotion, person to-night when an unindentified was no other way under the law to are two who so distinguished them- woman succuranted in a hospital from prevent profiteering, except by volunselves for coolness under fire during injuries received when the Knoxville tary agreement, as the food bill carried vancement. They are attached to the parity over and finally brought up the sugar trust. doned its tools for weapons and joined with the British in the battle.

will be given out in Washington, in- were mothers. cludes several enlisted men vno by leave the organizations with which batant lists Ranking officers say that the inclu-

rank of captain, skipping the grade of

IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

road and plunged over an embankment, our troops and particularly in their turning and pinning them underneath.

CUPID GIVEN JOLT

BY MAN'S NECESSITIES Taking the report furnished by the WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN but it was in the Spanish War that he high command to-day on the weather FRANCE, December 25 .- Love is getmade his mark as a soldier. So im- at all vital points, a major pointed out ting a cruel job these days when it FOR EXCHANGING PRISONERS

made his mark as a soldier. So im- at all vital points, a major pointed out
pressed its President Roosevelt by his the extreme variation in the mountonnage. The army authorities are at he promoted him to the tains, plains and valleys. Here at frowning on the efforts of many Amer-PARIS. December 25.—An official rank of brigadier-general over the headquarters the report showed two sican women and girls becoming "godan agreement between the French and to him. He is now fifty-six years of Fuhrenheit, and no snow, while the and writing and sending them presents. of prisoners by which noncommissioned as Wolseley and Roberts were in their same report showed litteen degrees. The samy does not want to put the officers and men of forty years of age as Wolseley and Roberts were in their below zero centigrade (5 degrees Fah- kibosh on any regular love affair of renhelt) and seven feet of snow in long standing, but does not want the ships' holds cluttered up with letters to soldiers from girls and women who Appreciable improvements are also ob. organizations, of big scale plans and Ortler, there is about three feet of lations also forbid correspondence be-The censorship regu- way

business capacity. They are a remarkable body of men, with long heads
the Austrians made their big drive last diers to write to a certain address and

BEGIN INVESTIGATIONS OF PITTSBURGH DISASTER

State, County and Rallway Officials Delving Into Cause of

Accident. Associated Press.] PITTSBURGH, December 25 .- Official and adds: investigations into the cause of the street car accident here late yesterday which resulted in the deaths of nineteen persons and the injury of four I cent on the Atlantic. Had these ar-

Striking Example of Chances for pected to die, were set in motion here would have riten to 25 or 30 cents a to-day by State and county authorities Company. Coroner Samuel C. Jamison, sugar at prices of 15 and 20 cents. WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN headed the staff of county investigators, while John P. Dohoney, of Harrisburg, representing the Pennsylvania the State inquiry.

car, coming through the South Hills no power to fix prices. These egreetunnel, got beyond control of the mo- ments have of necessity been made LOOK YOURSELF torman, jumped the tracks, turned with the old manufacturers, including against a building. Reports to-night CLAIMS PREJUDICE APPEAL from hospitals, where the injured are being cared for, are to the effect that The complete list, which probably dead were twelve women, nine of whom be depended on to watch any unfair

As a first step of the investigation. their work in the training areas have the officials were taken aboard a spe- made against the food administration demonstrated their fitness for commis- cial car, which, driven by an expert because the Cuban price is 34 cents When the President approves motorman, covered the course taken (100 pounds) above that which prevailthe promotions, these enlisted men will by the Knoxville car through the tube, ed in 1917 prior to September 1. We Later in the day Coroner Jamison found that an average profit of at least

they are at present and go to replace, and Mr. Dohoney visited the hospital I cent per pound was necessary in orment divisions as second lieu enants. in which H. H. Klingler, motorman of der to maintain and stimulate produc-In accordance with the previously an- the wrecked car, is a patient. Kling- tion or that a minimum price of \$4.37 In accordance with the previously and the wrecked car, is a patient. King-nounced plan, they will be held availder had sufficiently recovered to tell was necessary, and even this would relief in at least one of them --- Adv. able for promotion in the replacement the officials his story. He refuted the stifle some producers. The price ultiorganization of transferred to the com- testimony of other witnesses, stating mately agreed upon was 23 cents above that his car did not stop in the tunnel, these figures, or about one-fifth of a

recommendations furnishes a striking into the tunnel," Klingler said, "I no- been saved by our reduction in reexample of the fact that enlisted men ticed that it was gaining momentum. finers' profits and in net result suga are on the way to obtaining commis- and I applied the air brake. The air would be 1 cent cheaper to the consions as officers and in line for higner brake refused to work quickly. I ap- sumer next year than now. commissions, once they get in the field plied my hand brake, but the car had and demonstrate their ability, for gained such speed that the brakes Cuba, we could take that course just

the wire in the tunnel and was re- a course would produce disturbances in placed by the motorman of a car fol-

young son of a well-known American. the wire in the tube, and that the car might of its position to strangle Cuba. stopped in the tunnel for about three minutes.

marked on every line of his face.

General Pershing is a self-made man, we have ever had," said the major in commissioned officers and two ser- of the Knoxville car, after it left the fruit has increased consumption in The State and county investigations

NOT FOR ROOSEVELT

Indicated From White House That He Will Not Be Munition Minister.

WASHINGTON, December 25 .- Theodore Rosevelt will not be "munition minister." This was plainly indicated in quarters close to the White House Fred Green. Prominent Mining Engito-day when attention was called to such a suggestion made by Kern Dodge in Philadelphia. A reorganization of material to the army is foreshadowed, killed near here to-day when a train lieve that the army can solve its own problem once the decks are cleared by neers of the Northwest. He the congressional inquiries now under member of the engineering department

RUSSIAN ANARCHISTS ATTACK UNITED STATES

PETROGRAD, Monday, Dec --- A mass-meeting of anarchists was held on Sunday afternoon, at which inflammatory speeches against the United States were delivered, the speakers hasing their attacks on the arrests of Emma Goldman, Alexander Berkman REE FROM SNOW

AND WEATHER IS MILD

BOSTON. December 25.—Wladek ers urging violence against the AmerZbyszko, the Polish wrestler, defeated ican embassy, but only a mild resoluand Louis Kramer, some of the speak-

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IS MADE PUBLIC

(Continued From First Page.) more than \$25,000,000 per annum was

The statement then tells of voluntary agreement made with sugar factories

"The net result of these voluntary agreements was to reduce the ruling price of sugar 1 3-4 cents west of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio, and rangements not been made, sugar pound.

"Numerous prosecutions have been and officials of the Pittsburgh Railway started against firms which have sold

"The consumers' sugar bill, from the time restraints were imposed until January 1 will be about \$180,000,000 Every cent pound rise means about Public Service Commission, conducted \$18,000,000. Twenty-cent sugar would have meant about \$180,000,000 profiteer-The death list was increased by one ed from the American consumer. There

several will probably die. Among the been fighting the trust for years, could dead were twelve women, nine of whom be depended on to watch any unfair worth many times the cost when it action.

"An appeal to prejudice has been FAVORABLE TO TEUTONS sion of these men in the promotion "When my car got about 500 feet sumer, and more than this amount has

at the time of all times in our history Survivors of the disaster told the when we want production for ourselves With few exceptions, all the advances authorities that the trolley had left and the allies. Further than that, such Cuba and destroy even our present supplies, but, beyond all these material Martin Joyce, conductor of the runa- reasons is one of human injustice. first lieutenant. One of these is the way car, testified that the trolley left. This great country has no right by the

ministration's effort to reduce con-Leroy H. Hazelbaker, motorman on sumption to avert the shortage, which WITH THE AMERICAN ARMIES IN the car which followed Klingler's, tes- was foreseen in the summer, and says that direction, but will reduce consumption later on. Hoover emphatically denies

> the food administration's sugar division, endeavored to benefit the California refinery, of which he is head, through the arrangement of the Cuban

charges that George M. Rolph, head of

TWO KILLED BY TRAIN

neer, and Woman Companion Die When Auto In Hit.

the methods of supplying ordnance and Green and Miss Jessie Wharton were BUTTE, MONT., December 25 .- Fred but the President is understood to be- struck their automobile. Green was one of the best-known mining engiof the mines owned by Senator W. A. Clark here.

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NEGRO SOLDIER SENTENCED

Ordered Dismissed From Service and to Serve Three Years for Murder

of Carpenter. WASHINGTON, December 25.—Private Jerry Ward, attached to Company A. First Separate Battalion of negro troops of the District National Guard, has been sentenced to dismissal from the service and three years at hard labor in the Federal penitentiary at Atlanta for killing Andrew J. Cooper, an aged carpenter, at the quartermaster training camp here last October 12.

HURLED TO THEIR DEATH

Four People Are Killed When Michigan Central Train Hits Their Automobile.

SAGINAW, MICH., December 25 .-Alton B. Stalker, a local shoe merchant, his wife, their eleven-year-old son, Orville, and a woman said to be Mrs. Frank Gray, of Ann Arbor, Stalker's sister-in-law, were hurled to death when their automobile was struck by a Michigan Central train.

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